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13 NEW WELLS.

Contracts Let by Venora Oil Company for Derricks.

The Venora Oil Company has let a contract to Evans & Queen to furnish material for thirteen derricks, delivery to begin as soon as possible. This is the biggest deal that has taken place during the past week in the local oil field, indicating, as it does, the drilling of at least thirteen more wells on the Venora company's 500 acres.

The Potest well on the Garred Hughes farm will be completed some time next week.

Work has started on the John Prince well near Irad. The Wayne Oil Company will drill it a few feet deeper and shoot it.

The Louisa Coal Company has drilled another shallow well which is producing about one to two barrels per day in the Cow Run sand.

The roads are in such bad condition that development work is very much handicapped. After the mud dries up there will be much greater activity throughout the field.

We have nothing new to report as to the pipe line projects.

TO BUILD ROAD UP ELK FORK.

The Licking Courier has this to say of a contemplated railroad to be built up the Elk fork of the Licking river:

"This is the road that was surveyed last January from Midland, near Farmers on the C. & O., to Swampton, this county, by Walker's Engineering Corps. The articles of incorporation state that the incorporation is to construct a branch road up Elk fork in Morgan county, and to intersect with the Caney Valley Railroad at the mouth of Caney.

This will offer a more direct outlet for the Caney City coal as well as to open some of the richest coal fields in the State. Nine foot coal has recently been found in a number of places on Elk fork.

This road will open one of the richest and largest undeveloped coal fields in the State. This section not only has an abundance of coal but it has a good supply of timber that will find a ready market.

About ten miles of the rights of way have been secured at the other end of the line and the agents of this company are busy taking rights of way. They are expected in this county in a few weeks."

Rev. Jeremiah Farmer Dead

The Rev. Jeremiah Farmer, who formerly was pastor of the M. E. Church, South, this city, died at his home on Tygart creek Greenup county, on Saturday, March 23rd, aged 93 years. He joined the Masonic lodge at Greenup in 1848, being at his death the oldest mason in Northeastern Kentucky.

Rev. Farmer leaves nine grand children, 27 great-grand children, one great-great-grand child with several nieces and nephews. To mourn their loss, besides a great number of friends in the Big Sandy valley.

If the NEWS is not mistaken one of Mr. Farmer's daughters was married to James Kilgore, of Catlettsburg, while they lived in Louisa.

MISS FREESE

Will Sing Again At Spencer Church.

Under these headlines the Ironton Daily Register of March 26th has the following:

Miss Katherine Freese of Louisa, Ky., directed the Music at Spencer M. E. Church Sunday and delighted everybody who was fortunate enough to have heard her. Miss Freese is a finished musician and has studied under some of the most accomplished and skillful masters of voice culture in America. She has been engaged to sing this coming Sunday and on Easter Sunday at Spencer church and doubtless she will be heard by many persons who were kept from services last Sunday on account of the inclemency of the weather.

NEW FISH AND GAME LAW.

The State Legislature did a wise thing in enacting a new fish and game law. This law creates a State Commission to be appointed by the Governor to enforce the statutory provisions for the protection, preservation and propagation of fish and game.

The Commissioners are to serve without salaries, but an executive agent of the commission is to be appointed by the Governor with a salary of \$2,500 a year. The commission is to appoint a sufficient number of game wardens to see that the laws are enforced and the commission is empowered to fix the compensation of these wardens. There is a gun license of \$1 a year for residents and \$15 a year for nonresidents. Once the new plan gets fairly into operation it is believed the fish and game department will pay its way. Eventually it should become a source of material revenue to the State.

Similar laws in other States have had this result and there is no reason for believing that the experience will be different in Kentucky.

The fish and game protective associations in the State have been asking for legislation of this kind for a number of years, moved to that action by a realization of the futility of any protection or conservation under the laws that have existed in the past. Kentucky has been one of the few States without a fish and game department.

PROBABLY AVERTED DISASTER.

On last Saturday afternoon a huge rock toppled from the crest of a hill near the C. & O. track between Buchanan and the old Turman ferry and fell to the bottom with a tremendous crash. It struck the rails forcing some of them from the ties, and then rolled off the road bed. John Turman saw what the rock had done, and knowing that No. 38 was due he went down the road some distance below where the accident occurred and flagged the train in time to avert a disaster. The rails were broken near a curve, which would have prevented the engineer from seeing until it was too late what had occurred.

FIRE AT PIKE HOTEL.

Fire, which is said to have started from a defective flue in the kitchen, caused considerable damage at the Pike Hotel Friday afternoon about 1 o'clock.

There was quite a scare for awhile and many of the tenants in same block began moving but the firemen soon had the fire under control, all damage being confined to the hotel.

Mrs. L. D. Polley, of Praise was at the hotel and was carried out by two men. Mrs. Polley was on her way home from the hospital. — Pikeville Advocate.

DR. HANFORD NEXT SUNDAY.

In the morning at 10:30 the subject will be: Highways and Byways. This will be a sermon to women, and a sequel to Bishop Burton's great sermon on the Stars in Their Courses.

At night will be given the next to the last sermon on Milton's Paradise Lost. Subject: The Fatal Bite Bitten. This will show how the Serpent came back into the garden of Eden, and deceived Eve.

THE PASTOR.

DEAD AT SALT LAKE CITY.

Mrs. Ella Harris Gaines died at Salt Lake City March 12, 1912, after a short illness of heart disease. She was the daughter of Kelsey N. and Louisa Harris, who lived in Catlettsburg many years ago, and her death leaves but two of the Harris children surviving, Albert, of Ogden, Utah, and Winfield, of San Diego, Cal. The family had many relatives along the Big Sandy river.

BIG RISE, MUCH TIMBER.

Both forks and the main river have been almost at flood tide recently, and before the water became too high for running rafts a great deal of timber and many crossties went by Louisa. There were 56,162 crossties and 49,560 logs. Most of the timber was first class. This was the run up to March 28th. There is much to follow on less water.

MRS. CHAS. F. SEE

Relieved by Death from Her Severe Sufferings.

After many months of patient suffering Elizabeth Goff, wife of Charles See, of this city, died during the night of Saturday, March 23rd, and was buried in the See burial ground three miles from Louisa, on the following Monday. Preceding the interment funeral services were held in the Baptist church, conducted by the Rev. Burwell Akers, of Ceredo, W. Va., the commodious building being filled to its capacity with the sorrowing relatives and friends of the deceased woman. She is survived by a husband, five sons, two daughters and two sisters—Mrs. Mattie Helms, of Terry, Miss, and Mrs. Emma Brown, of Kansas. On account of sickness neither of the sisters was able to be present at the funeral. All of the children were at home when death called the beloved mother, Jay reaching Louisa from Tacoma, Washington, the day before her death. Three children died in early life.

Mrs. See was the daughter of the late Felix W. Goff and was born in Shellmound, Miss., Jan. 21, 1860. With her father she came to Louisa in 1872. She was converted at the early age of 13 years and walked in the straight and narrow way until it led her into the City beyond the stars.

"Saved by His grace divine, Saved to new life sublime."

Mrs. See had suffered long, well knowing the serious character of her disease, and loth to take the small but only chance for life. With characteristic fortitude she took the awful risk. For several days afterward hope was bright, but new trouble fell upon the sorely afflicted woman, and after a brief struggle with the Destroyer she closed her tired eyes only to open them again in a world of perennial bloom. She was a good woman, a noble wife, a devoted mother, an humble Christian. These virtues find fitting reward.

Mr. Charles See and children desire through the NEWS to thank most heartily the host of friends who ministered to them during the illness and closing hours of the wife and mother. Words fail to fully express their appreciation of such kindness.

WHY HE VETOED IT.

The Governor vetoed House bill 241, which amends the present dog tax law by seeking to repeal section 68, Kentucky statutes. The veto message says in part:

"If this statute is repealed no person will have a right to kill or cause to be killed any dog which may be or may have been found killing, wronging or injuring any cattle outside of the inclosure of the owner of the dog, or any dogs having the rabies, or that there is reasonable ground to believe has such a disease and no recovery could be had for other acts committed as set forth in the section sought to be repealed. The bill is therefore disapproved by me."

HEIR TO A FORTUNE.

J. P. Auxier, of Millersburg, Bourbon county, has received a letter from an attorney at Joplin, Mo., informing him that he was one of several heirs to a rich estate, estimated at about \$250,000, coming to him by his grandfather, a Mr. Davis. Mr. Auxier is the son of L. G. Auxier, once a wholesale merchant in Cincinnati, and now a business man in Edinburg, Ind. L. G. Auxier was twice married, his first wife being a Miss Davis. Mrs. Auxier was one of four children, two sons and two daughters. Mr. Davis, the father of Mrs. Auxier, resided with his family in Mason county, near Rectortown.

The Auxiers were originally from Johnson county and are well known in Louisa, where they have several relatives, Mr. Lewis Auxier being a nephew of Mrs. Cynthia Stewart.

Born, Tuesday, in Ashland, to Mr. and Mrs. John Woods, a son.

NO JOKE.

What the NEWS said last week concerning the condition of some sidewalks, the pitfalls in the streets and other menaces to the life and limb of pedestrians was not intended as a joke. Since its publication the paper is disposed to think that those most concerned are blind, or, seeing, they are dumb, for, so far as can be observed, no attention whatever has been paid to the warning. Perhaps our people are not aware that they, the taxpayers, will have to pay all damages which are received for injury to person or property caused by the unsafe condition of the highways of the city. The girl in Augusta recovered over \$2,000 for an injury to one knee caused by a misstep on a bad sidewalk, and Augusta, like some other towns, is taxed to the limit, and the treasury is empty but the Federal court says the city must "come across." The possibility of just such a condition of affairs confronts the people of this city. How would you like to be compelled to dig down into your jeans and haul up your share of the cost of a two, three, may be five thousand dollar judgement for injury caused by breaking a leg on a bad pavement or by stepping into a yawning chasm in the street?

Since the foregoing was about in type the chasms at Main and Lady Washington have been filled.

CAR CONFERENCE.

Vice President Caples, Superintendent Booth, Trainmaster Freeman and Car Distributor Heron, all of the C. & O. railway, and representatives of the various coal operations in the Big Sandy valley and the contiguous country, held a conference at Pikeville on Friday last relative to the condition of the C. & O. track and roadbed in this division, and the shortage of cars. There had been much complaint concerning these matters, the operators having gone so far as to take up the matter with the Interstate Commerce Commission. The whole situation was thoroughly discussed, the railroad people declaring that the condition of affairs would speedily be changed for the better, both as to roadbed and transportation.

ENGINEER KILLED.

Lee Varney of the N. & W., Mysteriously Murdered.

Lee Varney of Williamson, W. Va., who married a daughter of J. M. Slaton, principal of the Public School, was foully murdered Thursday, March 14, while going to his work on the N. & W. railroad at Eckman, W. Va.

Mr. Varney was called for city at 3 o'clock in the morning. Before reaching his cab he was struck on the head with a hatchet, inflicting a mortal wound, from which he died fifteen hours later at the hospital in Bluefield, W. Va. He was never conscious after receiving the injury and this leaves his death shrouded in great mystery. His assailant is unknown.

The deceased leaves a wife and two children to mourn their loss. — Pikeville Herald.

M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

Sunday School at 9 a. m., Augustus Snyder, Supt.

Let us have 200 Sunday. There is no reason why we should not have that number.

Preaching at 10:30 a. m., Theme—"God's Ways and Ours Contrasted." Praying at 7:00 p. m. Theme—Same. This will be a series of two sermons on the same subject.

Prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:00.

Were you at the prayer service last Wednesday? If not, why? Answer to God. Let the church people know that the church is what they make it.

You will find a welcome at all of these services. Breathe a prayer before leaving your home.

J. W. CRITES, Pastor.

Buy your paint and wall paper from the Snyder Hardware Company

FATAL ACCIDENT.

John Chaffin Loses a Leg and Dies from Injury.

John Chaffin, son of Marion Chaffin, of Webb, was fatally injured on Tuesday of last week in a most peculiar manner.

A raft of logs was landed near the home of young Chaffin and he volunteered to help secure it.

While paying out the rope Chaffin got his leg caught in the coil and when the current took up the slack of the rope the entire weight was thrown upon his leg.

The rope cut the leg off and young Chaffin died from the injury on Friday.

SMALLPOX AT RICHMOND.

Richmond, Ky., March 25.—The smallpox situation in Richmond is not and has never been at all serious. There have never been more than half a dozen cases at one time, and the authorities have from the first had the disease under control. One case has developed in the Normal school but every precaution has been taken to prevent the spread of the disease. A few of the students who could not stand the shock have gone home to stay till the danger of contagion is over. They will probably not return till the opening of the spring term, April 5th.

ONE OF YOUR READERS.

TOO PREVIOUS.

Some folks holler before they get out of the woods, some assume fourth class city airs when really it's by a tight squeeze they are able to get into the fifth class. The NEWS has no reference to al-lusion, as the girl said when she called her rival a hateful old thing, but our cousins at Pikeville will find when it comes to the final analysis that they have "hollered" just a little too previous.

TO CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

Capt. W. J. Stone, in charge of the Confederate Pension Bureau, says he hopes by April 1st to be ready to act on applications. Blanks, books and forms are now being printed. Indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers and widows of soldiers married prior to 1890 will get blanks by applying to Capt. Stone, Frankfort, Ky.

NOT ON THE MAP.

An agricultural demonstration train is now touring the State of Kentucky, stopping at various points of more or less prominence to show how to raise corn, cows, chickens and other live stock, and how to make butter and probably other things. Ashland is as near as the train could get to the Big Sandy valley.

KILLING AT SALYERSVILLE.

Salysersville, Ky., March 23.—In a fight here last night Charles May, 17 years old, and William P. Day, 19, were shot and killed by Harry Raybourn, aged 19, who was himself fatally stabbed. The three young men were cousins. The fight originated over a trivial matter. — Ex.

SPENCER'S FOR FINE CAKES.

The B. & C. Baking Co. has placed their fine cakes in Spencer's grocery. All we ask is a trial. We invite the ladies to come in and examine them. They will be on sale Saturday, March 30th. 10c and 15c a piece. The B. & C. Baking Co.

ENTERTAINMENT.

A delightful programme will be given at Webbville Sunday afternoon, beginning at 12:30, slow time. Free to all.

KILLING IN BOYD COUNTY.

Willard Neace, age 14, was accidentally shot and instantly killed by his cousin James Neace, 20, on Straight creek in Boyd county.

NOTICE TO FARMERS.

The attention of farmers is called to the fact that owing to conditions last year the corn was imperfectly matured and therefore will be this spring especially unreliable for seed. We therefore urge all farmers to test their seed corn, suggesting the following method: "Let the planter take twenty ears at random and from the middle of each take five grains. Then let him cover a plate or pan with moist flannel, cotton batting or sawdust and spread nicely the 100 grains covering with flannel kept wet, and anywhere that a day temperature of 80 degrees can be maintained. They must be kept moist but not wet. In a week he will know the growing per centage to a nicety and exactly what to expect."

IN COMPETING TERRITORY.

Kentucky boys who are anxious to win the Governments national corn-growing prize were put back in to competing territory by Senator Bradley Wednesday. It was not generally known that they had been omitted, but such was the case through an error in the Department of Agriculture. Complaints that Kentucky was not listed in the contest were filed with Senator Bradley and he at once took up the matter with Secretary Wilson. The Secretary said that the mistake was unintentional, and Kentucky was restored to the list. Any boy in her borders may go to work to win the record for corn growing and a trip to Washington.

OLD MAN MARRIES YOUNG GIRL.

Hazel Green, Ky., March 20.—Judge Elias Shockey, about 75 years old, of this place, has married a Miss Rowland, 18 years old, of Ezel, Morgan county. This is Judge Shockey's third matrimonial venture, his last wife having died only a few months since. His bride is a very charming girl.

Mr. Shockey has children nearing the half century mark, and has two grandchildren older than his wife. He gave Miss Rowland a deed to his property before she married him. He is one of the wealthiest men of this section, and holds a high place among politicians.

CANDIDATE FOR JUDGE.

Commonwealth's Attorney J. F. Butler, who resided at Pikeville in to resign as prosecutor in this district and has announced as a candidate for circuit judge in the new district composed of Pike and Letcher.

There will have to be a new commonwealth's attorney elected in this district this fall, the nomination being made by primary in August.

Hon. D. J. Wheeler, of this city, is slated for this place by his friends and his announcement is looked for in a few days. — Paintsville Herald.

Ministerial and Mission Board Meeting.

The Ministerial and Mission Board Meeting of the Greenup Baptist Association will be held at Mt. Zion Baptist church Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 29, 30, and 31st. Every Baptist, rich in the Association is entitled to a delegate. Many, including the Rev. Archibald Cree, pastor of the Louisa Baptist church, will go from this vicinity. On Saturday Mr. Cree will discuss the subject of Church Federation and Union of churches.

GAS IGNITED WHILE DRILLING.

Campton, Ky., March 21.—While drilling in well No. 4, of the Mountain Oil Company, on the Brewer farm, on Still water, about five miles from this place, a flow of gas was struck which became ignited from the fire in the boiler, and burned down the derrick, leaving the drill in the well.

BOX AND BUCKET.

The oyster quart bucket has gone out of business for a season, but his little brother, the strawberry quart basket will shortly be in evidence. Both these measures fell short of their alleged dimensions.